

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 996

By Garrett

A RESOLUTION to recognize Dr. Jeffrey T. Phillips on the occasion of his retirement from education.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those citizens who have devoted their careers to positively influencing and developing young minds, thus contributing significantly to the future of our society; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jeffrey T. Phillips is taking a much-deserved retirement after thirty-four years of teaching; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phillips currently serves as director of the Band of Gold at Hendersonville High School, where he has taught for twenty-nine years; and

WHEREAS, under Dr. Phillips's expert direction, the Hendersonville High School Band of Gold had the singular honor of performing in the world's greatest street spectacular, London's New Year's Day Parade, on January 1, 2020, in London, England; and

WHEREAS, in the middle of his career, Dr. Phillips took a five-year sabbatical from Hendersonville High School to teach at Pope John Paul II High School, where he founded the music program; and

WHEREAS, a gentleman of many and various talents, Dr. Phillips is an adjunct professor at Belmont University and the pastor at Saundersville United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phillips is an active and important part of his community and his profession and participates in numerous worthy organizations, including the Masons; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phillips exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Dr. Phillips has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity as an educator, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues, his students, and the community at large; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Dr. Jeffrey T. Phillips our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors, as we pay tribute to his thirty-four years of dedicated service as a music educator and leader of young women and men.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.